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January 25, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 4, AND 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FMD0002041 - Channel Right of Way Clearing, 2004, East Maintenance Area, at various locations within the east area of the County (1 and 5), TruGreen LandCare, with changes amounting to a credit of \$2,924.34, and a final contract amount of \$335,325.90.

Project ID No. RDC0014103 - Broadway Avenue, vicinity of Santa Fe Springs (1), Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$1,200.00, and a final contract amount of \$239,346.63 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. RMD4447033 - Road Division 146/446-IV Slurry Seal, 2003-04, vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier (1 and 4), Pavement Coatings Company, with changes in the amount of \$8,295.53, and a final contract amount of \$266,150.46.

Project ID No. RMD5546108 - Parkway Tree Trimming and Removal - RD 557B, 558A, B, and D - FY 2003/04, vicinities of Acton, Angeles National Forest, East Palmdale, Littlerock, Sun Village, and Pearblossom (5), United Pacific Services, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$150.00, and a final contract amount of \$151,720.00.

Project ID No. WWD4004026 - Water Wells at Well Sites 4-69 and 4-72, City of Lancaster (5), Bakersfield Well and Pump Co., with changes amounting to a credit of \$26,271.20, and a final contract amount of \$593,449.80.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of the Acting Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FMD0002041, RDC0014103, RMD4447033, RMD5546108, and WWD4004026.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$26,271.20 to an increase in the amount of \$8,295.53, while the total values of the contracts range from \$151,720.00 to \$593,449.80.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Acting Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0002041, CHANNEL RIGHT OF WAY CLEARING, 2004, EAST MAINTENANCE AREA (at various locations within the east area of the County),
Supervisory Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: TruGreen LandCare, 1367 West 9th Street, Upland, California 91786

Project Description:

Clearing and removal of vegetation and debris from channel rights of way and channel lining weep holes, joints, and cracks.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Dump Fees	\$7,284.73
(2)	Deletion of Work	(9,789.07)
(3)	Overtime Inspection	<u>(420.00)</u>
	Total	(\$ <u><u>2,924.34</u></u>)

Description of Changes:

(1) The contract specifications provided for an allowance to compensate the contractor for dump fees with provisions that payment will be based on the actual costs incurred. The actual costs of the dump fees incurred by the contractor were more than the amount of the allowance in the amount shown.

(2) Due to a current Public Works contract in the Buena Vista Channel, most of the channel right of way from Tifal Avenue to the confluence with the Sawpit Wash was under construction and inaccessible. Therefore, this channel was deleted resulting in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

(3) The contractor requested eight hours of overtime inspection which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

The cost for Item 1 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Section V-C of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 2 was based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 3 was stipulated in the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 16, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$338,250.24
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>(2,924.34)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$335,325.90</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL)
January 25, 2005

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014103, BROADWAY AVENUE (in the vicinity of Santa Fe Springs), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., 4134 Temple City Boulevard, Rosemead, California 91770-1550

Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, curb and gutter, driveways, and sidewalks; construction of curb ramps, bus pads, and striping and pavement markings; and modification of traffic signals.

Contract Adjustment:

Affirmative Action Compliance	\$1,200.00
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Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 5, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications, and the work of the contract was accepted by your Board on August 3, 2004. However, the amount shown was inadvertently deducted from the contract for failure to comply with Affirmative Action reporting requirements. The contractor has provided documentation to prove that he has complied with all Affirmative Action requirements. Board approval is required at this time to correct the final amount due to the contractor.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$217,356.75
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	20,789.88
Addition for Affirmative Action compliance	<u>1,200.00</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u><u>\$239,346.63</u></u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4447033, ROAD DIVISION 146/446-IV SLURRY SEAL, 2003-04 (in the vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier),
Supervisory Districts 1 and 4

Contractor: Pavement Coatings Company, P.O. Box 1491, Cypress, California 90630

Project Description:

Slurry sealing of roadway pavement.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities	\$8,295.53
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Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 2, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$257,854.93
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>8,295.53</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$266,150.46</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD5546108, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL - RD 557B, 558A, B, AND D - FY 2003/04 (in the vicinities of Acton, Angeles National Forest, East Palmdale, Littlerock, Sun Village, and Pearblossom), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: United Pacific Services, Inc., 1601 West Mission Boulevard, Pomona, California 91766

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$150.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 5, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$151,870.00
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>(150.00)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$151,720.00</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. WWD4004026, WATER WELLS AT WELL SITES 4-69 AND 4-72
(City of Lancaster), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Bakersfield Well and Pump Co., 7212 Fruitvale Avenue, Bakersfield,
California 93308

Project Description:

Construction and development of two wells.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$27,271.20)
(2)	Chemical Treatment	<u>1,000.00</u>
	Total	(\$ <u>26,271.20</u>)

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to inject a chemical solution into one of the wells in order to breakdown built-up organic material and enhance well productivity. This work was not included in the contract.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 19, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$619,721.00
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>(26,271.20)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$593,449.80</u>

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